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SUBJECT: AMAX INTEREST IN CHROME SNADS

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1. WILLIAM W. SHAW, VICE PRESIDENT, AMAX CALLED ON EMBOFF IN MANILA ALSO TO RELATE AMAX'S INTEREST IN DEVELOPING CHROMITE SANDS IN THE PHILIPPINES, INDONESIA, AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA. THE MESSAGE AND DETAILS OF OPERATIONS CONVEYED WERE ESSENTIALLY AS DESCRIBED IN REFTTEL, WITH EMPHASIS ON SPREADING THE WORD THAT THERE IS NOW AN AMERICAN MINING COMPANY IN EXISTENCE OUTSIDE OF SOUTH AFRICA WITH LARGE POTENTIAL RESERVES OF METALLURGICAL CHROMITE.

2. IN THE PHILIPPINES AMAX HAS FORMED A COMPANY WITH LOCAL INTERESTS CALLED PHILCHROME. THE LOCAL PARTNERS REPORTEDLY HAVE CLAIMS TO ORE BEARING STRETCHES OF BEACHES ON EASTERN PALAWAN, NORTHERN AND EASTERN MINDANAO, AND EASTERN SAMAR. A CHECK WITH THE BUREAU OF MINES SHOWED NO CLAIMS IN THE NAMES OF PHILCHROME ITSELF. BEACH MINING IS BANNED EXCEPT IN SELECTED CASES WITH PERMIT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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SHAW BELIEVES PHILCHROME WILL NOT HAVE ANY TROUBLE QUALIFYING FOR A PERMIT. HE EXPECTS OPERATIONS IN THE PHILIP-

PINES IN 2 - 2 1/2 YEARS. HE ESTIMATES PHILIPPINES RESERVES AT 50-80 MILLION TONS OF CONCENTRATES RANGING FROM 45 - 54 PERCENT CHROME.
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